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# 'Patiently's' Composer Awaits Bars--Patiently Thru The Peepsight

G. I. Summary Of World News

BY SGT. G. J. REMINGTON

WONDER HOW A big group of German generals feel when they get captured? Dispatches from Russian front disclose that a whole raft of generals, including about half as many lieutenant generals as our Army has all together, were captured as the Russians continued their relentless "liquidating" of troops in and around Stalingrad.

The defeat of the Germans and their mercenaries before Stalingrad now is undoubtedly the worst tragedy that has met German arms during this war. It may turn out to be the worst of modern history, for the Nazis and their satellites have undoubtedly lost hundreds upon hundreds of thousands of men. And the Russians continue freeing from German occupation town after town in the vital Caucasus oil regions. The loss of these men, and all the equipment that undoubtedly is being taken or smashed, may well mean a vital difference in the striking power of German arms in the future.

But one wonders if the German generals may not feel a tremendous sense of relief upon being captured. Now they don't have to face a stab in the back from some Gestapo agent to save Herr Hitler's face—which in all probability would be their fate were they to return to Germany and get themselves blamed for their leader's stupidity in not having heeded their advice in the first place.

COMMENT ON THE meeting at Casablanca between President Roosevelt and Prime Minister Churchill with a meeting of Generals DeGaulle and Giraud of the Fighting French forces and the North African group, continue to take up a great deal of editorial and other space. Observers are united in agreeing that the meeting was momentous in fact, world shaking. But as to exactly what will follow, nobody seems to know. General consensus is that not everything that was discussed, learned, or planned, was made public, which is as it should be in such strenuous times when to make all known might result in tragic defeat of armies. Also consensus seem to be that tremendous offensive movement will be undertaken by the United Nations.

THERE ARE PLENTY of indications that strength of the Nazis is being sapped by the long war. But Elmer Davis, head of OWI, warned this week that we should be prepared against, rather than for, possibility of peace offers from German and Jap sources. He warned, and others concurred, that our enemies may well feign worse conditions than actually exist, in asking for a peace. This could be done for several reasons—to save as much as possible in material resources; to throw us off our guard against another offensive; or to make us relax in our efforts along both war and industrial fronts.

Decisions reached at Casablanca, however, where a war to the end was pledged, appear to have come in time to scotch any such efforts on the part of wily enemies.

MOST EXCITING NEWS of the week—although far from most important—of course— was that of the bombing of Berlin just before and during the scheduled broadcast of the official Nazi observance marking Hitler's 10th anniversary of accession to power. Doubtless old Hindenburg's ghost grinned ironically to itself over that one, because the old Field Marshall had fought Hitler's rise and had hated to have to appoint him a Chancellor. At any rate, that bombing must have been a terrific jar to German home front morale, for Goering had promised that never would a foreign plane drop bombs on German soil. And here were those barbaric British staging a daylight raid.

Of heartening import, too, was the fact that at last the United Nations were learning the psychological effects of a war of nerves and learning how to take advantage of such steps for propaganda purposes and for the sake of keeping our own home folk cheered up. Doubtless the British are learning things from President Roosevelt's book—he long knew how to take advantage of perfect timing in his own campaigns.

RETURNING FROM CASABLANCA and a jaunt to Liberia and then to call on President Vargas of Brazil, President Roosevelt, however, found things not so quiet along the political front. The Congress had proven quite a formidable opponent in its opposition to appointment of Edward J. Flynn to be minister to Australia. At last the President withdrew Flynn's name. Just whose he will now present is problematical.

Also on the home front, President Roosevelt held a conference of legislators at the White House that a rough estimate of around 7,5500,000 men in the army will be needed to bring the war to a successful conclusion. That will mean around 10,000,000 under arms all together. President Roosevelt also is said to have given the legislators a better idea of the parley in Casablanca.

Still on the home front, Robert P. Patterson, Undersecretary of War, has disclosed that suggestions have been made to William

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## Art Watson's Orchestra Played For College Society

If you happen to pass a music store in the near future you will undoubtedly see featured among the musical scores a new song hit entitled "Patiently." It will probably have Blue Barron's photograph on it since he and his orchestra introduced this new number to America from the old and famous shrine of modern music, the Blackhawk Cafe in Chicago.

The song itself was written by Candidate Art Watson of Cincinnati, O., member of 29th Company, Third Student Training Regiment.

Candidate Watson's musical career began at the University of Cincinnati in 1939 when he organized a 14-piece dance orchestra to play for local college proms and fraternity house parties. The band progressed rapidly along the road to success due to Art's talent as a pianist and his novel arrangements of popular song hits. He furthered his background by attending the Cincinnati Conservatory of Music for several years.

**MUSICAL SHOWS**

During his college career Art wrote the score for a number of musical shows sponsored by the Varsity Varieties of the University of Cincinnati. Several of these interpretations were recognized by notables such as Jan Garber who featured them during engagements in the Vicinity of Cincinnati.

With his orchestra Art followed his career by playing at such Universities as Cincinnati, Kentucky, Miami and others. According to Art, one of his most interesting engagements was the time he and his orchestra played at a Debutante Ball of one of the famous Tafts of Ohio. One of his featured vocalists, Carole Gable, has since achieved national prominence singing with Jimmie James' orchestra over radio station WLW.

**16 MONTHS IN ARMY**

Candidate Art Watson is 23 years old, is married and has been in the Army 16 months. Before entering O. C. S., he served as a corporal at Camp Wolters, Texas, where he led a dance orchestra and wrote a Bugle March, later adopted by the camp. Art says he is greatly impressed by the Infantry School and that he finds it "tough stuff, but O.K."

Lately Art has had no time for music, but his band is still carrying on under his name and is playing engagements throughout the country.

# TIS Founds Officer Pool

## Will Provide Temporary Duty

An officers replacement pool has been established at The Infantry School in accordance with an announcement by the Replacement and School Command of the Army Ground Forces.

The replacement pool will provide a temporary assignment or "home" for newly commissioned officer candidates and officers attending other courses for whom permanent assignment orders have not been received.

Instructors who have completed a tour of duty here and have been ordered to attend a course of instruction at the School to prepare them better for field service duty will be assigned to the pool during their period of instruction. This will enable The Infantry School to fill the positions occupied upon relief of officers from their instructional or administrative duties.

Officers assigned to The Infantry School Service Command when ordered to a general hospital for observation or treatment may be assigned to the pool during the period of their illness and convalescence. Such officers may be reassigned from the replacement pool upon their return to duty.

# Soldiers Give Polio Dimes

Soldiers and civilians at Fort Benning joined hands again this week and contributed $1,092.86 to the "March of Dimes" for the National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis, it was announced today by Mrs. Walter S. Fulton, chairman of the campaign at the Army post.

Mrs. Fulton disclosed that the 124th Infantry "Gators formed the largest contributors with collections at the unit's "Wishing Well" amounting to $605.46. The Regiment conceived a novel plan for the drive, and charged members at least a dime to view the 124th's mascot Adam Lazonga, the alligator, for a week's period.

Collection boxes were placed in the theaters, the Officers' Club, the service clubs and other activities around the post for the drive.

# *Midnight Curfew Remains On Fort Benning Time*

**Fort Benning officials announced Wednesday that the 12 o'clock curfew will remain on Fort Benning (Eastern War) Time. This statement follows in the wake of the decision of Phenix City officials to revert to Central War Time. All soldiers stationed at Fort Benning have been advised to govern themselves accordingly.**

# Fort To Have 2 Cafeterias, General Says

## Plan Will Enable PX To Feed 250 Additional People

Two cafeteria counters will be installed at the new Exchange building at Wold avenue and Ingersoll, street, just across the street from the Main Theater, instead of a restaurant and cafeteria as originally planned.

This was announced today by Brig. Gen. Walter S. Fulton, commanding general, following a meeting Tuesday of the Exchange Council, which represents all organizations on the post. At the same time, it was decided to install a stand-up sandwich bar, where sandwiches, short orders and soft drinks can be dispensed, General Fulton announced.

The announcement came as the Soda Fountain, formerly housed in the tower of Doughboy Stadium, was formally opened for business in its new location in the building and was doing "nearly three times the amount of business it formerly did," according to Lt. Col. Harold E. McGaffey, post Exchange officer. At the same time, offices of the Exchange, previously located in the other tower at the stadium, were moved to their new location on the second floor of the building.

**BETTER SERVICE**

"We had at first planned on installing a restaurant and a cafeteria in the new building, but the decision of the Council now will mean that we can really serve nearly three times as many patrons as we could have done under that system," Col. McGaffey said.

"It also will mean that we can place about 250 more chairs for eaters, thus having a seating capacity of nearly 800. It also means that with difficulties of securing experienced help the way it now is, it will be more efficient."

Orders for the material for the second cafeteria counter were placed immediately and work of installing the materials will begin as soon as they arrive, Col. McGaffey said. It is expected that the two counters will be in full operation by March 1. Meanwhile the present restaurant facilities will be maintained at the restaurant in Service Club Number One until the new set-up is ready to function.

# Hank Gowdy Reaches Fort

## Will Direct TIS Athletic Program

Captain Hank Gowdy, the old Sarge and one of baseball's most legendary figures, arrived here this week to assume his new duties as special service officer for The Infantry School.

Gowdy was sworn in as a captain in the Army last Saturday at his home in Columbus, O., and was ordered to report to The Infantry School at the school's request. His job here is to handle all athletics and recreation activities for students attending the Infantry Officer Candidate course and other courses taught here, and for personnel assigned to the twelve regiments or smaller units used as demonstration troops for the school.

**ACE CATCHER**

Gowdy was one of the best catchers in the major leagues when the United States entered the last war, and he was the first big league ball player to enter the service. He rose to the rank of sergeant and served valiantly overseas. After the war he had several more seasons as a player in the National League before becoming one of the best known coaches in the game.

The new captain has spent the last few seasons as a coach with the Cincinnati Reds. He has served with Bill McKechnie, current manager of the Reds for 13 years, being with him at Boston before moving to the Ohio city.

The baseball field at Fort Benning was named Gowdy Field several years ago in honor of the old Sarge. The captain considers this the finest honor ever bestowed on him.

# 1943 To Bring Khaki Undies

Fort Benning soldiers may be wearing khaki undies before the end of this year, according to an announcement by Col. Stephen B. Massey, director of supply at the post.

The plan to clad Johnny Doughboy in khaki more than shirt deep got under way in Chicago recently when the Quartermaster Corps placed orders with knitting mills for shorts, undershirts, and "long-handled drawers" in regulation khaki color, instead of conventional white.

One reason given for the change by Colonel Massey was that the neutral new color would be far less conspicuous from the air than flapping white undies hanging on the line when quartermaster field laundries hang out the regimental wash in combat zones.



**ONE OF THE MOST DEADLY** combinations at Fort Benning proves to be none other than a father and son team. Shown above, left to right, are Delphis "Bud" Bearor and his 18-year-old step-son, John Campbell, both of Andover, Mass., members of the 506th Parachute Infantry Regiment. (Signal Lab Photo by Kortemeier)

# Son Beats Dad, Veteran 'Chutist, in Qualifying For 'Wings' in 506th

## Pair Are Two Inseparables; Pop Serves As Banker

Although his step-father had already completed 158 parachute jumps, 18-year-old Pvt. John Campbell, of Fort Benning's 506th Parachute Infantry Regiment, qualified for his Army "boots" and "wings" here a few hours before his Dad who is a veteran 'chutist.

Young Campbell got his step-father, Pvt. Delphis "Bud" Bearor, both of Company D of the 506th, provide a unique combination.

Father and son are now rough and tough paratroopers, but they spend their idle moments and evenings just as though they were at home in Andover, Mass.

When John gets a little short on cash, he finds it quite convenient to have his Dad in the same outfit with him for he can readily ask him for a loan.

**TWO HEARTS ARE ONE**

Whether in the mess hall, in the line a the movies, or in the PX, John and his father are usually together. "We have enjoyed doing things together for a long time now," the father remarked, "and so now we're in this together to give all we've got."

Although "Bud" Bearor served a couple of hitches in the Army some years ago, he was a civilian last August 25 when John and he enlisted in the Army and volunteered for the Paratroopers.

**DAD'S STORIES**

On August 25, 1942 John became 18 years old and eligible for the paratroopers. He had long listened to exciting stories his father recalled while the latter was barnstorming about the country as a thrilling act for air shows.

"Bud" Bearor first became addicted to parachuting when he was in the Army at Chanute Field, Ill. While a member of the Air Corps Technical School Detachment at Chanute, "Bud" packed and tested 'chutes for the officer-pilots in the Air Corps. He made his first jump on April 11, 1930 and completed many before he was discharged from the Army.

**BEAROR BORED**

After leaving the Army "Bud" Bearor became bored with tame civilian life so he packed his 'chutes again and took to the air, taking part in air shows.

In recent yers, however, "Bud" was living a relatively quiet life again in Andover, Mass., with his wife and step-son. But, with the exciting tales of the Army's paratroops interesting him, "Bud" talked the matter over with his son and they both decided to join up and "see it through together."

Now, qualified paratroopers, the father and son combination has become deft at handling the wicked machete, brass knuckles and all the impedimenta of the daring paratroops—and are anxious to get in and do "some real killing."

# Mrs. Fulton To Discuss Point Rationing Feb. 5

Mrs. Walter Scott Fulton invites all of the women of Fort Benning to attend a meeting to be held Friday morning, Feb. 5, at 10 o'clock in the auditorium of the Post school.

At the time Mrs. Fulton will discuss information on the point rationing of canned, bottled and dried fruits and vegetables. Since all families will be affected by this new government measure, every woman is urged to attend.

# *House Bill Asks $50 Pay Hike For Paratroops*

Representative Sparkman (D-Ala.) has introduced a bill (HR 1657) in the House proposing the same bonus for enlisted parachute troops as is received by their officers—$100 a month above their regular pay because of their hazardous assignment. Enlisted parachute troopers now get $50 a month extra.

## Lt. Davis Appointed Ass't Post Inspector

Second Lt. Jay M. Davis has been appointed assistant post inspector, according to an announcement at post headquarters.

Prior to entering on active duty, Davis was superintendent of Gray High School, Gray, Georgia. He is a graduate of Presbyterian College and an ordained Presbyterian minister, having received his bachelor of divinity degree from Union Seminary, Richmond, Va.

# Post Awaits Time Vote Due Tuesday

## Change Will Produce 'Confusion Worse Confounded,' Officials Say

*Hickory Dickory Dock*
*The mouse ran up the clock.*
*The clock struck one,*
*Which confused the mouse*
*Because he was on Central Wartime*

Thousands of military and civilian personnel living in Columbus are awaiting action of the city commission Tuesday when that body will decide whether the city will keep its present Eastern Wartime or change to Central Wartime.

Deferring action on the change in time voted by the state legislature and approved by the governor last Thursday, the city commission is investigating the problems in this military area before taking definite action.

Meanwhile thousands of commuters between Fort Benning and the city are wondering if they will have two sets of clocks in their homes in Columbus, and merchants and other businessmen are likewise wondering how they would meet the confusion which would result if this vast reservation were on a different time schedule.

**POST ON EWT**

All governmental agencies, including army posts in the state, are remaining on Eastern Wartime. Brig. Gen. Walter S. Fulton, commanding general here, has stated that the post can do nothing so long as Fourth Service Command headquarters at Atlanta remain on the "fast" time. All train and bus schedules will also continue on the present time.

Speculation on the problems possibly confronting personnel here continued all week. G. I.'s, for instance, asked about the present curfew law which has been set by the Army at midnight in downtown Columbus. Should the time on the clock back, present indications are that the curfew would be set at 11 o'clock by downtown time because part of the intent of the curfew order was to get men back to the post in time so that they would be fit for strenuous training the following day.

**CITY BUS PROBLEM**

Residents of the city who use city buses to take them to central points for "share the ride" plans have also been considering their possible plight. T. S. Sloan, vice president of the Georgia Power company, told The Bayonet that at present he could not see how buses could begin operating earlier in the morning to fill the needs of Benning personnel because the company is restricted by the number of vehicles available, by man power, and by the mileage allotted.

Individuals by the score began worrying about their problems, too. The soldier, for instance, who lives in Fort Benning and who is wife working in Columbus will have to arise an hour earlier

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# Bills Drafted To Kill Taxes For Fighters

## Income, Victory Tax May Be Out For Servicemen

Legislation introduced or now being drafted in Congress is aimed at exempting salaries of the armed forces from the 5 per cent Victory Tax and also to exempt service men from all income tax requirements, according to word from Washington reaching Fort Benning officials tday.

Rep. Keough of New York has already introduced the law which if passed would exempt salaries of fighting men in all branches from the 5 per cent Victory Tax.

At the same time, Representative Woodruff of Michigan is now drafting a bill which he said he would introduce which would exempt servicemen from income tax requirements. He emphasized that his planned bill would exempt only that part of the individual's income earned by service in the armed forces.

Speaking on the bill, Rep. Keough said that the internal revenue code specifically exempts from the definition of wages all renumeration paid for services by members of the armed forces. "But the same act imposes upon members of the armed forces the five per cent Victory Tax," he said. "I hope that this mistake is only inadvertent on the part of congress because the men now are contributing a far greater share toward our ultimate victory."

Lowest ranking enlisted men in the armed services now receive $600 per year. The Victory Tax begins against persons making $624 a year.

# Benning First Post to Hear Bert Lynn and His Guitar

## 'Show Time At Roxy' Opens Tuesday At Main Theater

Fort Benning will be the first post in the country to witness Bert Lynn in the USO-Camp Show presentation of "Show Time At The Roxy," when the unit arrives Feb. 9 for a five-day stay.

The show opens at the Main Theater on the post proper for four shows in two days. The performances will be at 6:45 and 8:45 p. m. The second show on Feb. 10, will be for colored personnel only. On Feb. 11, the show moves to Sand Hill and into theater No. 7 for two performances, one at 7:30 and the other at 9:30 p. m. During the afternoon of the 11th, "Show Time At The Roxy" will put on a special performance at the Station Hospital for the shut-ins. On Lincoln's birthday, the unit will play in the Harmony Church Theater No. 11, with the last day spent in Theater No. 4, in the same area. The curtain will rise on the show the last two days at 7 and 9 p. m.

Bert Lynn will take the place of Roy Smeck, who had been with the show until very recently. Mr. Lynn will entertain with his popular guitar and banjo playing. Besides these, he also plays around with and on the ukelele and steel guitar.

**SHIRLEY VAN BACK**

There is one person with the show that all the old-timers at Benning will remember. She is Shirley Van, who the USO-Camp Shows call "their own baby." Shirley played here at Fort Benning last May in a show called "Full Speed Ahead."

One of the head-liners in the show is Benny Ross. Aided by his capable assistant, Maxine Stone, Ross does comic impersonations on George Jessell, Harry Richman, Al Jolson and many others. Miss Stone does a few numbers of her own besides acting as "straight-man" for Ross.

Charles Kemper and Company do an "army mess" routine that is supposed to make the audience roll in the aisle with laughter. Kemper was starred last season in George White's "Scandals" and

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**LUSCIOUS SHIRLEY RETURNS**—This "in the flesh" pic of sweet Shirley Van was taken right here at Fort Benning last May when she performed in her first USO revue. Then, she was just another dancer who caught the photog's eye, but now she is returning as the twinkling, singing, and dancing star of "Show Time at the Roxy," a gorgeous girlie opus which arrives next week for a five-day stay. Welcome back to Benning, Shirley, and throw us all a kiss!

# W. D. Order Bans Liquor Sale On Post

## 1901 Law Cited; 3.2 Beer Held Non-Intoxicating

"Coming events cast their shadow before . . ." and today eerie, phantasmagoric figures of the prohibition era, conceived in the welter of World War I, cast their ghost-like shadows over Fort Benning.

Officers' clubs and messes which have been selling liquor will no longer do so because of a War Department circular dated January 25, just received.

Since nothing but 3.2 beer has been for sale to enlisted men, the circular affects only officers who have been able up till now to purchase liquors at the various officers clubs.

**SCOPE NATION-WIDE**

Nation-wide in its scope, the War Department circular is based upon an Act of Congress which bears the date of Feb. 2, 1901. Only modification of the order of that far-away day which forbids the sale of intoxicating liquors is the act of Congress of March 22, 1933, which held that any beverage containing not more than 3.2 per cent of alcohol by weight is not intoxicating.

Fort Benning officials refused comment on the effects of the circular other than to say, "Naturally, the post will comply and all liquor sales will cease."

# Post Sets Up Food Cards

## Cpl. Lipp Appointed To Handle System

Preliminary work in setting up the machinery for handling food rationing cards on the post at Fort Benning now is under way with naming of Corp. Louis Lipp, already in charge of gasoline rationing, to handle food rationing on the post.

The office on the post will be under Dr. R. B. Daniel, chairman of the War Price and Rationing Board, and is being established for convenience of officers and non-commissioned officers living on the post and for personnel who live in Columbus.

At present about 8,000 Number 1 food ration books, covering use of sugar, are issued at Fort Benning. These must be turned in for Ration Book No. 2, which then will cover sugar, canned foods and meat under the unit system. Present preliminary plans call for printing 10,000 books for the Fort personnel. About 100,000 are handled by the Muscogee county board.

Fort personnel who now eat in messes who may move to town to eat with their families, have a month in which to secure Book 1, it was explained. Issuance of Book 2, at the Fort is planned to start when books are secured, probably around the end of February. A notice will be printed in the Daily Bulletin when the books are ready, Cpl. Lipp said today.

Later other war rationing coupon books are expected to be issued but no plans have as yet been made for handling these on the post.

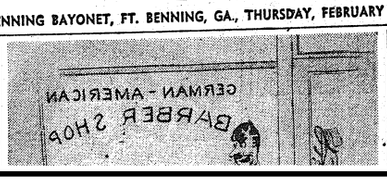
# *Sarge, Never, Never Tell Woman Secret*

Every day Sgt. H. W. Heatley, B. Q. Det, DEML, conducts a bus load of kindergarten children to the school at Fort Benning. A week or so ago he promised one of the little girls he'd buy her an ice cream cone as soon as the new soda fountain was set up in the new Exchange building at Wold Avenue and Ingersoll street.

Like all women, however, the little girl couldn't keep a secret. She told another little girl, invited another one to share her treat, and that one invited another—and before long Sgt. Heatley discovered that he was committed to buy a cone for every one of the children, boys as well as girls.

So, come payday he took the entire bus load over and bought a cone for each one of the 35 who were riding with him that day. Total bill $1.65, instead of the nickel he had at first promised to spend.

# 'Comedy Of Errors' Shows Clerks How To Manage Office Properly




# Famed Movie Designer Seeks Commission Here

## Bill Burla Produced Magic

## Major Inge Is New Engineer Executive Officer

New executive officer of the 55th Engineer Battalion is Major Andrew V. Inge, who recently arrived at the 10th Armored Divis-

# 9th Street USO Served 256,207 Since May

## 6,000 Soldiers Enjoy Yule Refreshments

During a recent meeting of the management committee of the Ninth Street USO Club, jointly operated by the National Catholic Community Service and the Jewish Welfare Board, some interesting facts and figures were revealed.

Eugene J. Bergmann, director of the NCCS, said that since the opening of the club last May, 256,207 soldiers have visited the club. Of these, 224,358 participated in the various social, cultural, and recreational functions held at the club during the eight months of operation; 32,584 took advantage of the many individual services by the various committees and civilian groups, such as bundle wrapping, soldier shopping, shaving kits, etc.; over 6,000 Christmas bundles were wrapped by the Volunteer Ladies during the holiday participation.

Mr. Bergmann went on to say that in addition to the soldier participation, 250 senior hostess and more than 600 junior hostess visited the club 45,064 times, rendering 92,457 volunteer work hours. He particularly mentioned the holiday work of these volunteers when they entertained about 6,000 soldiers on Christmas day, with tea and coffee services, including cakes, cookies, candies and nuts. These refreshments and what the snack-bar furnished were the only Christmas meals some of the soldiers had an opportunity of receiving because of the restaurants closing down.

Another organization vitally responsible for the popularity of this club is the Red Cross Canteen Service Corps which served over 12,800 soldiers at the USO Club Sunday morning "Coffee-and" hours.

LONG DISTANCE CALLS

During the month of December, the newly installed individualized telephone service with two permanent telephone operators from the Southern Bell Telephone Company, placed 1,572 long distance calls.

In concluding his report, Bergmann said that in spite of a reduced budget, made necessary by the opening of hundreds of new USO clubs, the program schedule at the Ninth Street USO club is being expanded.

Ed Korn, associate director, gave a comprehensive analysis of the program activities now conducted at the Ninth Street Club and the manner in which these various programs are closely related to the soldier and are of the soldiers' own creation and planning.

He gave as example, the USO Town Hall Committee. This group of soldiers plans and executes this popular Sunday afternoon program, securing prominent speakers and at a weekly committee meeting select the subjects for discussion. Another such committee governs the two basketball leagues now in progress. Each league has ten teams of 12 players each, a total of 240 players. The entire operation, rules and regulations come from a committee of soldiers. The art, dance, fencing and photography classes are all headed by soldier and civilian committees and instructors who freely give their time and experience, partly as a hobby and partly as their interest in USO, and Columbus.

Mr. Korn called attention to the part played by civilian volunteers in all activities and services. The dances, shoppers service, information desk, lobby hostess, pie bingo, community chorus, symphony orchestra, cabaret and party nights are all under the guidance of civilian volunteers. All these functional committees are headed by an executive committee of volunteers.

Following the reports by the directors, the management committee considered recommended improvements and voted their approval.

Mr. Richards commended the directors for their efficient operation of the club.

The members of the Management Committee present included Walter Richards, L. R. Aldridge, T. S. Sloan, L. C. Kunze, Col. F. M. Thompson, post chaplain; J. G. Davidson, H. Julius, Lt. John W. Inzer, Jr., representing Lt. Col. C. C. Finnegan, special service officer; E. Korn and Eugene J. Bergmann.

# Status of 38-Year-Olds Clarified by Washington

Clarification of provisions for the discharge of enlisted men over 38 years of age from the army of the United States is contained in War Department instructions received at Fort Benning, it was announced by Brig. Gen. Walter S. Fulton, commanding general.

In order to qualify for discharge, each enlisted man must present evidence that the "services of the applicant in the prospective civilian capacity will be of greater benefit to the government in the prosecution of the war effort than would his services as an enlisted man."

The applicant's commanding officer must report "whether or not a suitable trained replacement is present and available" to take over the assignment to be vacated.

General Fulton pointed out, for the benefit of soldiers at Benning who are over age and who consider themselves eligible for discharge, that in each case "not only the type of industry but the specific duties to be performed by the applicant will be analyzed in the light of the governing principle that discharge will be authorized only when in furtherance of the war effort and not as a right of the enlisted man."

Enlisted men over age who feel they should be discharged to assume civilian jobs in the war effort need make written request for discharge, to their immediate commanding officers. This evidence must show, among other things, "that by reason of the applicant's stated age he is handicapped by such an extent that his usefulness to the army is secondary to that of industry."

EVIDENCE NECESSARY

Evidence must be submitted showing "that he will be employed in an essential war industry, including agriculture, upon discharge from the army."

Statements of the enlisted men must be corroborated by further evidence. There need be "evidence that the enlisted man will be employed by an essential war industry," which will include "a definite offer of employment in affidavit form signed by a responsible officer of the firm offering employment and stating the percentage of war work being performed."

These statements must show "that the enlisted man will be employed upon discharge from the army; exactly what his duties will be and if these duties are the same as those performed at time of entering the military services; that a qualified civilian is unavailable for employment in the offered position."

In cases where enlisted men propose to enter individual enterprises, an affidavit must be submitted, signed by the enlisted man, and describing in detail the exact nature and scope of the enterprise and the applicant's ability to finance it.

# 18 Year-Old Takes Infantry School Course

One of the youngest students ever to enter the Infantry School, William Henry Kinzy, Jr., Memphis, just turned 18, and although he has never served in the Army of the United States, he is now attending the Officer Candidate Course.

It happened because he missed a commission in the Reserve Corps by having been born three weeks too soon to have been at the proper age to attend summer camp after he graduated from Columbia Military Academy, Columbia, Tenn. To secure a reserve commission it was necessary to attend the summer camp—but because he was three weeks too young, he couldn't go.

Now, at the Infantry school, his status is still that of a civilian under R. O. T. C., but when he completes the three months course on March 4 he will receive a commission in the Reserve Corps and then will be assigned to active duty with the Infantry.

When passing through wire entanglements, go over the low bands and crawl under the high ones on your back.


WHY GERMANY'S KEY CITIES ARE NOT SMASHED—ALTHOUGH THEY COULD BE... *told in the February*

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According to figures gathered over a period of a year by Lt. Col. Ulric N. James, commanding officer of the Reception Center at Fort Benning, more than $500,000 was paid out to the "butcher, the baker, and the candle stick maker" in one year. Of that, $33,780.69 was spent for bread alone. According to these figures, $1,386 was used per day for food stuffs.

During the peek month of September, 1942, $71,666.54 went on food purchases. Breaking that down a bit, it was found that $1,-192.50 was spent for punch, $6,-177.36 for bread, $2,240 for fish, $2,277.03 for ice cream and $2,-620.83 for sweet milk.

# Signal Company's Enlisted Men Get Pre-Officer Work

Thirty per cent of the enlisted personnel of the 150th Armored Signal company have begun training under the direction of Capt. Riley Graham to improve their adaptability for officers' candidate school.

Ten hours a week for six weeks will be spent in learning the fundamentals of leadership and acquiring technical knowledge required of Signal corps candidates. This rigorous training will be further emphasized by the regular section training.

One of the primary advantages of this course is that it will be on a competitive basis, with only a few being chosen at its termination as eligible.

"In my opinion, any man who qualifies himself during this course is destined to become a Signal corps officer," said Captain Graham this week.

The classes will be held five nights a week, for two hours each night. Instructors will be officers of the company who are qualified in the special fields to be covered. The study will include drill, manual of arms, voice of command, map reading, military courtesy and discipline, customs of the service, current affairs, hygiene, and chemical warfare. The men are receiving specialists training in regular sections, which include radio, radio maintenance, telephone and telegraph, cryptography, and message center.

# Lt. Shoemaker Made Captain

First Lieut. Harry L. Shoemaker, assistant post adjutant, has been promoted to captain, according to an announcement made at post headquarters.

Reporting for active duty, May 8, 1942, Captain Shoemaker was immediately assigned to post headquarters as assistant adjutant. In July he was promoted to first lieutenant.

In civilian life, Captain Shoemaker was employed as a market analyst and statistical coordinator by the Standard Oil Company of Louisiana at Baton Rouge.

The captain is a graduate of the University of Pennsylvania, where he received the B. S. degree in economics, and is a native of Drexel Hill, Pa.

# Lawson Bomb-Sight

By PL. E. N. FUSILLO

Captain James R Smith formerly stationed with the 15th Bombardment Squadron at Lawson Field, was a visitor here last week.

Captain Smith, who received the Distinguished Service Cross and Silver Star for heroic action in the Philippines, was with the 27th Bombardment Group when the Japanese attacked the Philippines from the air on December 8, 1941. The 27th Bombardment Group was activated in February, 1940, at Barksdale Field, La. The Group moved to Savannah, Ga., in October of that year, and trained in Savannah, Ga.

After participating in large-scale Louisiana maneuvers of 1941, the 27th sailed from San Francisco, bound for the Philippines, on the U. S. S. Coolidge. Arriving at Manila in late November, the young pilots soon had their first taste of war.

December 7, 1941, was a day of peace for the 27th Group, due to the difference in time between Hawaii and the Philippines. On that day they were challenged to a soft ball game at Manila Polo Club. A dinner climaxed the day. And then came dawn . . . and war.

# Heir-Raid

S-Sgt. and Mrs. George W. Murphy, girl, Jan. 20, Recon. Co., 3rd Armored Regt.

Lt. Col. and Mrs. Arthur F. Gorham, son, Jan. 26, 505th Parachute Infantry Regt.

Pvt. and Mrr. Aubrey Enloe, boy, Jan. 21st Engineers.

Sgt. and Mrs. Edward C. Carter, girl, Jan. 27, D. E. M. L., Service Detachment.

S-Sgt. and Mrs. Albert Hunter, boy, Jan. 27, 21st Q. M. Corps.

Pvt. and Mrs. Daniel C. Dave, girl, Jan. 26, 602nd Field Artillery.

Pfc. and Mrs. Thomas Parker, boy, Jan. 26, Hq. Co., 1st Student Training Regt.

Sgt. and Mrs. Barnes Kennedy, boy, Jan. 26, T. S. S. C., 4th Bn.

Sgt. and Mrs. Clyde Waldrop, boy, Jan. 26, Hq. D. E. M. L.

S-Sgt. and Mrs. Vernon L. Stevenson, girl, Jan. 29, Malaria Control, New Orleans, La.

Pvt. and Mrs. Joseph L. Aaron, girl, Jan. 20, Sup. Det., Sup. Division, Unit 1447.

T-Sgt. and Mrs. Benjamin Meeks, boy, Jan. 20, 29th Infantry Band.

Pfc. and Mrs. John F. Heinzeler, girl, Jan. 26, Co. "A," 602nd Field Artillery.

Sgt. and Mrs. Eliza E. Welson, girl, Jan. 30, Academic Regt., T. S. S. C.

T-Sgt. and Mrs. Eddie W. Connell, boy, Jan. 26, Co. "F," 66th Armored Regiment, 2nd Armored Division.

Pvt. and Mrs. Donald J. Henderson, boy, Jan. 21, Co. "F," 29th Infantry.

# Woman's Club

By LAURA M. BAILEY

The Latin-American program given before the members of the Women's Club of Fort Benning on February 1 under the direction of the Spanish Group, provided a gay and stimulating afternoon.

The Officers' Club was transformed with flags of the Latin-American countries, bright wool serapes, colorful fruits, a display of native dolls, paintings, pottery and glasswear. Palms and large potted plants arranged about the lounge was suggestive of the tropical countries.

Colonel Reginald H. Kelley gave a brilliant resume of the historical background of Spain and the Spanish speaking countries. He disclosed the fact that the American hemisphere had more Spanish-Americans than Anglo-Saxons. The predominance of Spanish speaking peoples and the influence of their art and culture on our country he predicted would become increasingly important.

He sketched briefly the early history of Spain, the invasions, her 700 years of war and the effect of these crises on the growth of the empire. The period of exploration, known in history as one of the most brilliant and colorful periods of the annals of the world, was clearly outlined by Colonel Kelley. He concluded his interesting lecture with an explanation of the political difficulties which ultimately lost the new world possessions to Spain.

Dorothy Githens Eley, dramatic soprano, who has been so generous with her talent, sang a group of three Spanish numbers. Her poignant interpretation of the tender passages of her music as well as the gay lilting notes exemplified the Latin temperament in its most appealing mood.

The 29th Infantry Band, which was loaned to the Woman's Club for the afternoon by the generosity of Colonel Carroll A. Bagby, announced the next number with the rhythmic music of the marraca and the rhumba as Mrs. Thomas R. Gibson and Antonio Amadeo of Puerto Rico swirled into the intricate steps of the Latin-American dance. Their second dance was a spirited Conga, which was repeated an an encore after insistent and demanding applause. Mrs. Gibson, a Puerto Rican beauty and the wife of Colonel Thomas R. Gibson, was an exquisite representative of her country in a beautiful white costume studded with gold nail heads. Mr. Amadeo, an officer candidate, wore a red silk scarf around his waist. He carried the second silk scarf for the traditional movements of the dance.

Mrs. Reginald H. Kelley, president of the Woman's Club announced the formation of a new club group, to be known as the Victory Garden Group, under the direction of Mrs. J. Notestein. The first meeting will be held February 4, at 10:30 a. m., at the quarters of Mrs. Notestein at 508 1st Division road. Plans are underway to make this one of the important war efforts of the club.

The tea hour was unusually lovely with the music of the 29th Infantry band and the beautifully decorated tea tables. Mrs. Washington M. Ives and Mrs. William R. Eley, gowned in magnificent antique Spanish shawls, poured tea. Mrs. Henry P. Perrine presided over the second tea table in a glittering Mexican costume. The Spanish group were beautiful in bright native costumes as they officiated for the tea hour. The following members under the direction of Mrs. Henry P. Perrine were responsible for the success of the meeting: Mrs. John M. Ferguson, Mrs. William R. Eley, Mrs. Washington M. Ives, Mrs. Mason H. Lucas, Mrs. Alphonsus M. McCarty, Mrs. Park Bailey, Mrs. J. D. Rosenberger, Mrs. Rollin F. Bunch and Mrs. Robert Sharp.

Four groups of the Woman's club meeting the second week in February provide diversified entertainment for Fort Benning women in their limited hours of leisure.

The Book Reviews group starts the week's meetings Monday, Feb. 8, at 2:30 p. m. in Parlor B of the Officers' club, where all meetings will be held. Mrs. Mason H. Lucas, chairman, will open the meeting with a reading guide for the month. A personal report of her travels through northern Africa will be presented by Mrs. F. J. Heraty. A reading of "Happy Land," by McKinley Kantor, will be given by Mrs. W. S. Lee. Mrs. James K. Guthrie will give a review of the novel "Thorofare," by Christopher Morley, and Mrs. Edward Lee Clark will conclude the program with a review of "G. B. S.," a biographical sketch of George Bernard Shaw, written by Hesketh Pearson.

Thursday, Feb. 11, the Practical Home Making group will hear Mrs. Frank W. Gaines give practical pointers on wartime menus. The meeting will begin at 2:30 p.m. in the Ladies Lounge. Mrs. Gaines, a graduate of the University of Georgia, is county demonstrator for Muscogee county. She will give valuable suggestions for substitutes for rationed foods, paying particular emphasis to substitutes for sugar and meat. Mrs. Gaines has a collection of inexpensive recipes.

On Thursday, also, Mrs. W. L. Ryder, chairman of the Dramatics group, will pick the cast for "Sinister House," a mystery play which will be presented before the Woman's club in April. The meeting will be held at 2:30 p.m. in Parlor B.

Tuesday, Feb. 9, the Bridge group meets at 2 p.m., in the Ladies lounge.

There isn't any Army regulation to precent a soldier from getting a divorce. However, he may not be able to get away from his station if he has to appear in court.


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# Conference Race May End In Deadlock

## Profs and Gators Win Pair of Tilts to Stay In Tie for Loop Lead

### 117th Breakers, 29th Devils Also Capture Two Games During Week

Roaring down the stretch of the first-half pennant race in a neck-and-neck battle, the strong court entries of the Academic Regiment and 124th Infantry both added a pair of victories to their respective strings during the past seven days to remain in a deadlock for first place honors.

Both quintets will close their opening round schedules tomorrow night, and since each team is a heavy favorite to win again, it appears that the first-half race will end in a tie and go into a play-off. If the deciding tilt is necessary, the Profs and Gators will meet next Thursday night, February 11th, although the court has not yet been decided upon.

During the week just past, the Academic Regiment tossers racked up triumphs over Lawson Field and the Station Hospital, while the Gators of the 124th maintained their winning ways by toppling the Medicos also, as well as the 2nd Student Training Leaders. Meanwhile, both the 117th Breakers and 29th Blue Devils also won a pair of tilts to emerge from the pack as contenders for third place honors, and also hold themselves in readiness for a quadruple tie for the lead should both the Profs and Gators falter in their final games.

Only three games remain to be played in the first-half schedule, and they will be contested this week-end on the hardwood at the main post gym. Friday night, both the Profs and Gators will appear on the same twin bill with the academics facing the Parachute School tossers, and the 124th encountering the Lawson Field Fliers. The finale will be waged on Saturday night when the 29th Infantry entertains the 2nd STR Leaders.

Of the four games played on Tuesday night of this week, the Prof-Medico battle produced the most excitement in the past gym. Starting out fast, the Profs hit a slump mid-way in the ball game, and after holding a comfortable lead at intermission, they found themselves on the short end of a 30-28 count going into the final period.

**CLOSE FINISH**

The final ten minutes saw plenty of scoring for both teams, and the crowd was in an uproar a minute and a half from the end when Tubby Monroe's lay-up shot put the Medicos out in front, 41-40. But the maroon and white ioy was short-lived for Lieut. Frank Shannon immediately banged in a long one from side court, and Ossi and McCrary followed with two more to sew up the verdict, 46-41. Shannon paced the Profs with 15 markers while Ducky Ponds had 17 for the losers.

In the nightcap of that twin bill, Lawson Field manhandled the 29th Infantry for the first-half, then faded in the final periods as the Devils staged a late spurt to romp to a 52-43 decision. Pop Moylan kept the Devils in the game during the first half with his spectacular set-shots, and Scoogy Gwosdik paced the second half spurt. Both shared scoring honors with eleven points, while the sensational center of the Fliers, Ace Hall, racked up 22 markers in the losing cause.

Most convincing performance of the week was the drubbing which the 124th Gators dealt to the Station Hospital Medicos last Friday night in winning, 55-38. The Medicos are one of the better clubs in the loop yet the Gators, playing three regulars on the sick list, romped to an easy win. Lieut. Howie Bender, Gator playing coach, proved a strong addition to the starting line-up when he whipped in eight field goals to pace the scoring with 16 points. The Medicos stayed in the ball game during the first-half, but buckled near the end.

Both the Medicos and the 117th wound up their seven-game schedules on Tuesday night and will remain idle until second half competition gets under way.

**RESULTS**

Friday:
124th Infantry 55, Station Hosp. 38.
Academic Regt. 45, Lawson Field 28.
Saturday:
29th Infantry 41, Parachute School 30.
117th Infantry 42, 2nd Stud. Trng. 25.
Tuesday:
Academic Regt. 46, Station Hosp. 41.
29th Infantry 52, Lawson Field 43.
117th Infantry 38, Parachute School 33.
124th Infantry 47, 2nd Stud. Trng. 22.

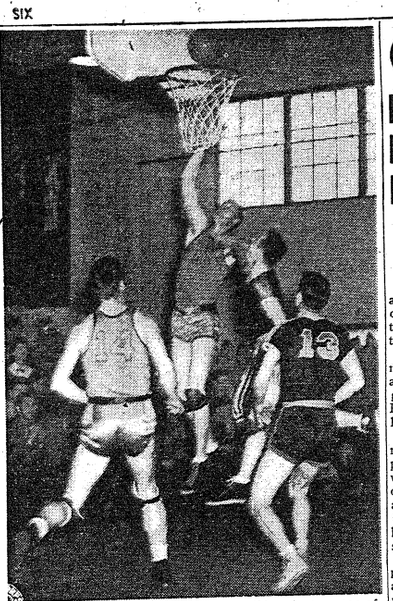
**LT. MILES TRANSFERRED**

Lt. E. Scott Miles, Jr., assistant officer in charge of the Fort Benning Machine Records unit, has been transferred to the 82nd Machine Record Unit, Miami, Fla., where he will take over similar duties.

Serving with record units since his induction in 1941, Lt. Miles later attended Adjutant General's School, from which he was commissioned. He came to Fort Benning in August, 1942.



**CAPTAIN HANK GOWDY** is greeted upon his arrival at the Infantry school by a group of experienced baseball players who may serve as a nucleus for teams at the school this spring. Left to right: Lt. Stan Reft, formerly of the Minneapolis Millers; Tech Sgt. Orlander Taylor, who has been on the Fort Benning all star team each year since 1936; Staff Sgt. Benny Zientara, who played with Indianapolis and Cincinnati; Pvt. Leon Scherer, who spent last season with Macon in the Sally league; Lt. Herbert Moore, who has spent several seasons in the St. Louis Cardinal chain with Columbus, Rochester, and Sacramento; Lt. John Dally, who played with Ogdensburg in the Canadian-American league and with Evansville of the Three-I league where he was the property of the Bosfon Braves, and Captain Gowdy. (Infantry school photo.)



**STOUT GETS BUCKET**—Slim Stout (16), giant center of the 507th Parachutists, is shown scoring a field goal in the early moments of Sunday's thriller between the sky-jumpers and the Academic Profs which the Profs won, 43-42. Leaping into the air in an attempt to halt Stout is Benny Zientara of the Profs, while Walters (14) of the chutists, and Polk (13) of the winners are coming up fast from the outside. (Signal Lab Photo by Stock.)

## Basketball Standings

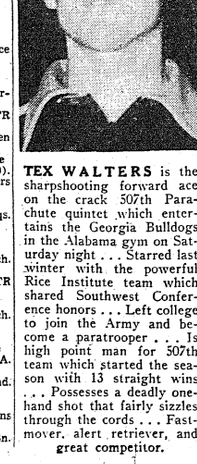
**FORT BENNING CONFERENCE**

| | W. | L. | Pct. |
|---|---|---|---|
| Academic Regt. | 5 | 1 | .833 |
| 124th Infantry | 5 | 1 | .833 |
| 117th Infantry | 5 | 2 | .714 |
| 29th Infantry | 4 | 2 | .666 |
| Station Hosp. | 3 | 4 | .430 |
| Prcht. School | 2 | 4 | .333 |
| Lawson Field | 1 | 5 | .166 |
| 2nd Stud. Trng. | 0 | 6 | .000 |

**MAIN POST LEAGUE**

| | W. | L. | Pct. |
|---|---|---|---|
| 1st Prcht. Trng. | 5 | 0 | 1.000 |
| 863rd Ordnance | 4 | 1 | .800 |
| 99th Q. M. | 4 | 2 | .666 |
| 7th Observation | 3 | 2 | .600 |
| 24th Gen. Hospt. | 2 | 4 | .333 |
| 53rd Gen. Hospt. | 1 | 4 | .200 |
| 1st Stud. Trng. | 1 | 4 | .200 |
| Finance Detach. | 1 | 4 | .200 |

## Sportraits



**TEX WALTERS** is the sharpshooting forward ace on the crack 507th Parachute quintet which entertains the Georgia Bulldogs in the Alabama gym on Saturday night . . . Starred last winter with the powerful Rice Institute team which shared Southwest Conference honors . . . Left college to join the Army and become a paratrooper . . . Is high point man for 507th team which started the season with 13 straight wins . . . Possesses a deadly one-hand shot that fairly sizzles through the cords . . . Fast-mover, alert retriever, and great competitor.

## 117th Infantry Boast Pair Of Crack Ringmen

### Gonzales and Smith Are Former Pro Sluggers Now With Breakers

BY CORP. REVE GRUNIN

Within the ranks of the 117th Infantry there are two fistic stars who made names for themselves in the canvas-floored rings. One fought as an amateur in and around Kansas City and Colorado while the other donned the gloves as a professional boxer in the metropolitan section of New York.

Pedro Gonzales, the dark-complexioned, likable Cuban of the Breaker outfit began his fistic career at a very tender age. Learning all he could about the manly art of pugilism and working diligently in his practice sessions, Pedro went to Colorado in 1938 and captured the Colorado Golden Glove championship in the lightweight division.

In 1939 Gonzales entered the Kansas City Golden Glove tournament. He toppled one opponent after another with decisive victories and fought his way to possession of the Kansas City Golden Glove lightweight crown. The Kansas City lightweight champ of 1939-40 then went to Chicago to participate in the Chicago Golden Glove tournament.

**FINALLY LOSES**

By virtue of winning his first three fights in the "Windy City," Gonzales was qualified for the semi-finals. Things were going pretty good—this Cuban boy was winning all his fights, becoming quite popular and the future looked very bright for the lad. But much to Gonzales' regret, he was pitted against a more polished boxer and lost by a close decision.

While home on furlough recently, Pedro managed to enter the ring again. He got the pasting of his life for the first three rounds and hit the canvas for a short count in the latter part of the third canto for the first time he had ever been floored. The tide turned in the fourth and fifth rounds. Pedro then became the aggressor and finally, with bullet-like blows to the head, kayoed his opponent in the fifth.

**FOUGHT AT ST. NICKS**

Boxing is not a new game to David O. Smith who has roamed the boxing arenas of New York City. "Slugger" Smith has fought in St. Nick's Arena, Ridgewood Grove, Bronx Coliseum and a host of other places, entering the ring no less than 60 times.

In 1938 Smith turned professional, after having battled in the amateur ranks for two years. He won a good many fights, lost a few encounters to some top-notchers, and made a nice little pile of dough. Smith has been in the ring with some worthy opponents. Johnny Colan, the boy who beat Jimmy Webb; Baxley Hardey, middleweight champ of the south and Jimmy Casa, who has fought a good many fights in New York's own Madison Square Garden are just a few of the mighty foes he has tangled with.

**STARRED WITH OVERLIN**

Knowing that the sparring stables pay pretty well, "Slugger" Smith became sparring partner for Ken Overlin. He stayed with Overlin for but two weeks and then hooked up as sparring partner to Mike Bellaise for two weeks.

When the 117th Infantry came to Fort Benning last September, Smith put some boxing equipment in one of the empty shacks in the regimental area and began working out every night during his leisure time. Day by day the "miniature gym" was improved somewhat, new homemade equipment added and the most important factor was that Smith was rounding into shape very fast.

Today Smith is all set, ready and raring to go. He will take on anyone in the middleweight class.

## Former Auburn Star Coaches Hoop Team

First Sergeant William R. Crew, Jr., of Goodwater, former Birmingham and Auburn athlete, again in the sports lime-light as coach and star performer of the Headquarters Company, Third Student Training Regiment, basketball quintet, one of the top-notch teams at Fort Benning.

Sgt. Crew was employed by the Tennessee Coal, Iron and Railroad Company at the Fairfield plant before induction into the armed forces on June 8, 1941. He formerly starred with the basketball teams of the 6th Avenue Presbyterian church and the Long Lewis club of Bessemer. Prior to that time he was an all-star performer at Goodwater High school, Georgia Military Academy, Alabama Polytechnic Institute and Henderson State Teachers College at Arkedelphia, Ark., earning distinctive honors in football, baseball, basketball and track.

Since March, 1942, Sgt. Crew, who has advanced in rank through all enlisted grades, has been the top sergeant of Headquarters Co. of the crack Third Student Training Regiment. He formerly was assigned to the First Student Training Regiment and to the Infantry School Service Command, with which organization he received his basic training after induction.

Hollywood (CNS) — Ginger Rogers (the Honey) eloped recently to Pasadena with Jack Calvin Briggs. He is a private in the Marine Corps.

## Court Card

**THURSDAY, FEB. 4TH**
**Post Gym—Main Post League**
7th Observation vs. Finance Det. (6:45).
1st Stud. Trng. vs. 863rd Ord. (8:00).
53rd Gen. Hosp. vs. 1st Prcht. (9:15).
**Sports Arena—Service League**
1st STR vs. Medical Det. (7:30).
M. P. Det. vs. 2nd STR (8:45).
3rd STR vs. Acad. Regt. (7:30).
Rec. Center vs. Post Det. (8:45).
**FRIDAY, FEB. 5TH**
**Post Gym—Conference**
Academic Regt. vs. Parachute School (7:30).
Lawson Field vs. 124th Infantry (8:45).
**Sports Arena—Sand Hill League**
419th F. A. vs. 55th Engineers (7:30).
54th Armd. Inf. vs. 423rd F. A. (8:45).
**Sports Arena—Cusseta League**
Service Co. vs. Div. Hdqs. (7:30).
80th Medical vs. Div. Trains (8:45).
**SATURDAY, Feb. 6TH**
**Post Gym**
29th Inf. vs. 2nd STR (7:30).
1st STR vs. 863rd Ordnance (8:45).
**MONDAY, FEB. 8TH**
**Post Gym—Main Post League**
863rd Ordnance vs. 7th Observation (6:45).
1st Prcht. Trng. vs. 1st STR (8:00).
24th Gen. Hosp. vs. 53rd Gen Hosp. (9:15).
**Sports Arena—Sand Hill League**
420th F. A. vs. Maint. Bn. (7:30).
11th Armd. vs. 55th Engineers (8:45).
**Sports Arena—Cusseta League**
90th Recon. vs. Div. Hdqs. (7:30).
**TUESDAY, FEF. 9TH**
**Sports Arena—Service League**
Acad. Regt. vs. Med. Detch. (7:30).
Recpt. Center vs. 2nd STR (8:45).
1st STR vs. 3rd STR (7:30).
Post Detach. vs. M. P. Detach. (8:45).
**WEDNESDAY, FEB. 10TH**
**Sports Arena—Sand Hill League**
419th F. A. vs. 423rd F. A. (7:30).
54th Infantry vs. 3rd Armd. (8:45).
**Sports Arena—Cusseta League**
Service Co. vs. Div. Trains (7:30).
80th Medical vs. Supply Bn. (8:45).

## Yukon is Hunter's Paradise TIS Officer Candidate Declares

### Dick Strange Gives Low-Down On Big Game

Yukon Territory, Canada, is truly a sportsman's paradise, according to Candidate Dick Strange, 14th Company, Third Student Training Regiment here in the Infantry school.

Candidate Strange, son of Mr. Richard T. Strange, of 3642 W. 65th street., Chicago, Ill., tells his classmates that the great northwest along the new 1,600-mile Alcan Highway is "strictly good hunting."

Strange had his first peep-sight's view of big game while stationed about a hundred miles north of Skagway with an engineer's unit. He spent five months in this section before he received assignment to Benning in October.

During this time he had the rare fortune to track everything from moose to Canadian geese. Other noteworthies bagged were wild mountain sheep, bear and caribou.

Army personnel in this area were authorized to hunt in order to curb a serious meat shortage, Dick relates. Hunting parties of 12 men were sent out to establish base camps. These were broken down into groups of three men. The party was allowed four days' leave to do a task "many American sportsmen would have paid thousands of dollars to get a crack at," says Dick.

**ARMY GETS MEAT**

All meat procured "except a choice cut here and there" was turned over to the army kitchens. These excursions comprised the only available recreation, but made a G. I. existence both interesting and enjoyable, declares Strange.

Few white men have hunted or even seen this portion of Canada.

The tent camp to which he was attached, migrated up and down the big road to survey sites by-passing ancient glacial ice packs. These packs, explained Strange, are poor road beds and become a melted mass during the summer season. Six inches of moss hid the ice in many places which when scraped away bared the old glacier called frozen muskeg. Much of this deposit was of undeterminable depth, said Strange.

He got a kick out of the northern lights, dog sleds, 24-hour daytime they experienced during the spring and summer, but the mosquitoes which bothered and didn't bite were a nuisance. These pests, he remarked, persisted upon getting into the food until the men no longer troubled themselves fishing them out.

Head nets and be recovering were SOP most of the time.

He was notified by radio to leave for officer's school when his organization was 300 miles from all civilization. In order to reach a settlement where transportation might be obtained, he crossed a river by row boat, and hiked 10 miles through the wilderness.

**WOLVES HOWLED**

"It was night," said Dick, "and the wolves were howling. Boy, did my hair stand on end!" He carried his sleeping bag and a flickering flashlight.

He later caught a caterpillar tractor on which he traveled 30 miles, transferred to an army command car for a 250-mile stretch, and boarded the narrow-gauge out of White Horse for Skagway. There he sailed to Seattle, and finally went by train to Ft. Benning.

When quizzed about the temperature in Yukon, he replied, "It was pleasant last summer, but it's 70 degrees below now."

## O.C.'s Physical Culture Students Are Roll-Call Of Who's Who 'Great'

## All-Eastern Grid Star Is Seeking Bars

### O. C. Chris Pavich Played On All-Star Team Against Pros

It was a hot summer morning in Texas, and Private Chris Pavich, now an officer candidate in the 35th Company of the Third Student Training Regiment here in the Infantry School was sweating out a session of tough calisthenics at Camp Swift.

"Pavich," called his Company Commander—"have you ever played football?"

"Yes Sir," admiitted Pavich.

"You're going to play some more, announced the Captain. "We just received a wire stating that you are to report to New Haven, Connecticut to play with the Eastern All-Stars." A few hours later Chris Pavich was on his way to New Haven.

Just about a year before he had been reporting for football practice at Georgetown University.

In his Junior year, Pavich was selected All-Eastern End, and received numerous honorable mentions for All-American. A year later as a member of the All-Stars, he played against the New York Giants, the Brooklyn Dodgers and the Chicago Bears.

Most of his team-mates were commissioned officers, but Private Pavich felt very much at home on the All-Star team. "They had some fine football players, and they were all great boys," he says.

**Plays Giants**

When, after a month training at New Haven, the All-Stars met the Giants at Boston Pavich found himself playing against Al Blozis, the World's Champion shot putter and his team-mates at Georgetown, the year before.

However, like most good things, the football schedule ended, and Pavich bid the East goodby and returned to Camp Swift, from where he came to Fort Benning and Officer Candidate School.

His greatest thrill in football? The day Georgetown, 5 to 1 underdogs, took on Mississippi and gave that Southern team a shellacking.

In that game Pavich stole the ball from All-American Merle Hapes of Mississippi and ran it 60 yards for the first touchdown of that upset game.

Indianapolis, Ind. (CNS)—State Treasury Department received a dollar bill from an unknown sender with the explanation that he got into the State Fair twice free for nuttin'. Didn't say how he did it, though.

George Stallman, 25th Company Third Student Training Regiment, was told as a boy he had to be a "champion." His father, George Stallman, Sr., was a light heavyweight boxer; his uncle, Charles Postl, light heavyweight champion wrestler of the world—1902-1908; his great-uncle, Charley Comisky, owner of the Chicago White Sox.

Stallman began his athletic career as "bat boy" for the St. Louis Cardinals in 1923. In 1926 he signed with Hollywood, Pacific Coast League, barnstormed the Southeastern League in '27 and '28 and signed with the White Sox in 1930.

His uncle, founder of the famed "Postl Health Clubs," persuaded him to join his growing organization. From 1930 until Stallman was inducted into the Army in March, 1941, he trained a cross-section of national figures reading like a "Who's Who"; Donald Nelson, War Production Board chief; Merril C. Meigs; Jack Kushin, now in China, constructing the new Burma Road; Londis, Strangler Lewis, Primo Carnero, Tunney, Jack Dempsey, Barney Ross, Sarazen, Hagen, Morrison, Eddie Cantor, Jack Benny, Walter Houston and Ed Wynn.

**DISCIPLINE GREATEST ASSET**

Stallman reflects upon his Army career and sees rigid discipline as the greatest asset to any soldier. "O. C. S. men make good officers in such a short time," says Stallman, "because they learn to take care of themselves mentally and physically. They "make or break." If a man disregards the rules, he can't survive as a soldier. You've got to have good blood cells to have good brain cells. You've got to learn teamwork and coordination.

Stallman says his biggest thrill in civilian life came in the sand-lot days when he was barnstorming the south. Bags were loaded, nobody out—Stallman pitching—the three heavy hitters coming up. Stallman looked up into the sky and asked, "Give me power to get these guys"—and struck them out, three up, three down!

London (CNS)—Three-year-old Doris Watson knew her father was a prisoner in Germany. That's all she knew about the war. She decided to kiss his picture on the mantelpiece. The grate fire set her nightgown ablaze and she died with her daddy's picture in her arms.

## Engineers, 90th Recons Scent Flags

### Can Clinch First Half Pennants With Wins This Week

The 55th Engineers and the 90th Recons have the first half championships of the Sand Hill and Cusseta Leagues sewed up if they can get by the next week without a defeat.

The Engineers doubled up the 54th Infantry Monday, 44 to 21, with Bell's 11 points high as nine of the Engineers scored. The victory kept the winners the only undefeated team in the Sand Hill circuit, and they have only to defeat the oft-beaten 419th Field Artillery and 11th Armored Regiment to keep their slate clean.

The Recons have five straight victories with only Headquarters Company, a .500 club, standing in their way. The 150th Signal Company kept in the running Monday with a 30 to 16 win over Division Trains, their fourth victory in five starts. Their remaining game is with Supply Battalion.

**M. B.'s ROSE OUT**

The 419 Field Artillery bested Maintenance Battalion, 43 to 41 in the first overtime game in either circuit. Sullivan and Halstead passed the scoring for the winners with 16 and 12 points, respectively.

Headquarters Company proved better free throw shooters to beat the 80th Medics, 33 to 29. The winners made 12 of 18 free shots, while the Medics could only make 5 of 17.

## 507th Bows To Georgia Tech

Fort Benning's highly-touted 507th Parachute quintet failed to live up to expectations in its visit to Atlanta on Tuesday night, and bowed to a classy Georgia Tech team, 65-40.

The defeat gave the paratroopers an even split in their campaign against Southeastern Conference fives. They had previously defeated Auburn, and will take on Georgia's Bulldogs this Saturday night at 8:30 in their own gym in the Alabama area.

The chutists went into their game with Tech boasting a record of 13 wins in 14 games, and were favored to take the measure of the Jackets, but the college five turned on the steam and outclassed the soldier team. Frank Broyles, with 20 points, was high scorer for the winners, followed by Wes Paxon with 18 markers.

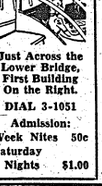

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## Lt. Wood No Eyebrow Archer; Has Full Confidence Of Flock

By Capt. Barney Oldfield

A parson with a parachute personality is Lt. George B. Wood of the 505th Parachute Infantry here.

First, the ecclesiastical guy is a man among men. When he get all 6-feet-1-inch of himself into the pulpit, backs it up with 180 pounds of solid muscle and bone, and leans verbally into his convictions, his Gospel carries weight.

Second, he's no eyrebrow archer. He recognizes parachutists as explosively and colorfully young. He dislikes a man who goes hush-hush and reverent in his presence, when he's not reverent around others. He didn't like people in civilian life who got religion on every seventh day, forgot it for the next six. He is never hurt by what he hears which may sound blasphemous and tinged with brimstone, because he thinks the man is the thing—not what he says.

**OMNIPRESENT HUMOR**

Third, nobody he's ever met has caught him with his sense of humor short; or without a laugh or smile. He is the living picture of a man who can believe in, and tote the cause of God without having it make of him one who is constantly horrified by every little infraction he may run across.

So having built what amounts to a better ministerial mousetrap, the paratroopers, who pride themselves on being hard guys, beat a path to his office. He takes them into his pine-boarded shack and listens to every kind of trouble which may plague a man—the woman he married, the girl he wants to marry, his financial plight, his mother who worries, and the endless parade of mental turmoil which only those who deal with soldiers know about.

In some outfits in the Army, any guy who is seen seeking out the chaplain is bracketed as one who is making a play for a soft berth, wants to get a job in his office, or has something afoot for which he's using that as a covering gesture.

That's not the case with Chaplain Wood.

**SHARES HARDSHIPS**

He went all the way to prove he's for brawn, for muscle, and for adventure. He wanted to share in everything the paratroopers did. He took his jump training, had the sprains, knows what opening shock can do to a man's anatomy, and he can sit on the bunk with any paratrooper and talk the language of his trade. He's not outsider, he's really in. As such, he rates a jump-booter's confidence about anything, and gets it.

He describes himself as a man who never liked to go to the circus without seeing the elephants, and he believes the paratroop side of the army will give him a chance to see very possible kind of action available to a man in war. He regards nothing as more deathly than to be held back out of action when his units goes forward—and when the time comes for that jump for record, his Colonel will probably have a tough time keeping him from being No. 1 on the first plane.

That's a man of God what is—to a paratrooper. He's one who is going to insist that he be on hand as a representative of the Almighty, come what may. If there is a place where the Angels fear to tread, he'll volunteer to investigate.

As one paratrooper puts it:

"I gotta lot of respect for that guy. He's begging for a chance to go along without a weapon of any kind. It takes a man who is on the beam to jump into combat with only a G. I. (government issue) Bible."

## Next Time It'll Be Nipponese Ship's Funnel

**A mortar crew from the 16th company, Second Student Training Regiment, is glad the "enemy air forces," cub-bombers, uses flour for explosives.**

**Last week, while participating in an Infantry School problem, one of these low-flying midgets spotted an 81 mortar emplacement, manned by members of the 16th company. The "bombardier," taking hasty aim, dropped his death charge."**

**The sack of flour dropped true to the mark, grazed the rim of the target, and sank slowly into the mortar barrel.**

## Magicians Mystify Armored Tankers In Two-Hour Show

The 11th Armored Recreation Hall is still echoing with applause given Gene and Jo of the USO, the magician team that really entertained the Tankers of the 11th Armored.

Some of the boys are still trying to learn their disappearing act and try it on their first sergeant when he's looking for a detail. In this act Gene has himself tied in a sack and bound in a box and the lid locked with padlocks by members of the audience. Before onlookers could say "Jack Rabbit" he was out and his charming partner Jo found in his place.

There was never a dull moment in the full two-hour show. Supporting this fine program was the new 11th Armored Regiment Dance Orchestra which not only supplied the music but put on a show themselves featuring T-4 Jack Plaxsun, the "strip-tease artist," T-5 Al Sakol, T-5 Sidney Wall, Pfc. Norbert Westrich and Pvt. Lloyd (Tiny) Sowers.

The newly-organized dance orchestra led by Sgt. Joe Sorci stole the whole show with their fine special arrangements as penned by Pvt. Merle Severy who arranged for many well-known New York bands.

This show went over so well that Captain Carlson, 11th A. R. Recreation Officer, plans to bring in more of this entertainment and the boys in the band are gathering more material and rehearsing a new show.

# 'Gators Give 6,000 Dimes

## To President's Polio Drive

Almost six hundred dollars were collected by the 124th Infantry as their contribution to President Roosevelt's March of Dimes to aid the victims of infantile paralysis.

This total represents the money collected from the First Battalion Wishing Well, the March the Arch box in front of the canteen, the officers' dance last Saturday night and the contributions of all individual companies during payday last Monday. The entire sum has already been mailed to President Roosevelt.

The 124th Infantry feels confident that their donation represents the largest contribution to the March of Dimes of any individual regiment in the United States Army.

Many novelties and appeals were instituted by the Gator Regiment in their drive to aid the polio sufferers. The famous First Battalion Wishing Well was transformed into a fountain of healing by turning over its wish-money to the Dime March.

**MARCH THE ARCH**

The Gators marched the arch in front of the canteen to the tune of $70.18. The arch was so constructed that before a man could walk into the canteen he had to cross it. A sign on the PX appealed to Gators to drop their dimes in a box beneath the arch, which many did.

The officers cavorted and donated in the Gator Hole on Saturday night, and between dances rang the bell for a grand total of $151.20 to help some child victim of the dread disease walk again.

As a grand finale on Monday, when the eagle spewed forth his lucre at the pay tables in the individual orderly rooms, the men of the Gator Regiment again came forth to show the world that they are on the ball by feeding the kitty with their payday change and marking up a sum total of $379.41 when the boxes were opened.

## Breaker Officers, Men Have High Insurance Record

With 99 per cent of the officers and 98.07 per cent of the men carrying National Service life insurance, the 117th Infantry "Breakers" are making an outstanding record in the current drive to insure all soldiers before they reach "the gangplank", according to John W. Inzer, post insurance officer.

"Other groups may have as good, and it is possible that one may have better averages," said Lt. Inzer. "The Post report is not complete. However, the 117th has certainly given every unit at Benning something to shoot at", he added. "They haven't reached 100 per cent just for the reason that some men do not have anyone to name as beneficiary".

There as been a steady increase in the number of policies applied for during the last three months, and Fort Benning should rank very high nationally in this drive to insure every man who goes into combat, he said.

However, all organization insurance officers are urged to continue their efforts in the drive, and to urge their men to take out the full $10,000, the largest amount offered.


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M. Jeffers, rubber administrator, that the Army would like to have the Government requisition about 7,000,000 automobiles and take over all spare tires on passenger cars, as well as to ban all long-distance hauling of freight and passengers by truck or bus. Jeffers, however, reports a great deal of difference existing over how to handle the entire rubber situation and the whole thing seems to be pretty cloudy.

**WHILE PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT flew to Brazil following Casablanca, it now is revealed that Prime Minister Churchill went on to Turkey for conference there, and British news dispatches quote the Minister as happy about the whole thing. It seems clear that the United Nations are endeavoring now to ring Germany about and are strengthening ties and bonds with countries where previously Germany exerted tremendous influences. Thus the politicos are waging an unseen but nevertheless important phase of the war.**

**IN THE ATLANTIC,** renewed vigor of Axis submarine attacks heralds another drive by the undersea menace to cut American supply lines to Europe.

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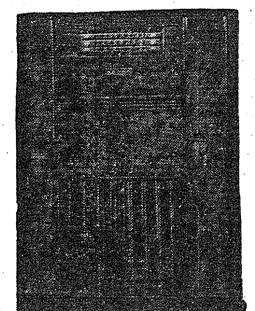
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## Newton D. Baker Village Reporter

BY MRS. DOROTHY TROUTMAN

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Friends of Mildred Waller are glad to know that she is improving after an emergency operation for appendicitis.

Mrs. James Mauck, 84C, left Monday for a visit with her family in Chicago, Ill.

Mrs. R. M. Turrell of 14 Keating Avenue has as a visitor this week her sister, Mrs. Edward Ackerman, of Cincinnati, O.

Mrs. J. O. Lahaye, of Port Arthur, Tex., is visiting her son and daughter, Lt. and Mrs. B. N. Young, 18 Keating Ave.

Mrs. James Bradford, 120 Clifton, visited her mother in Baltimore, Md., recently.

The Junior Baptist Training Union enjoyed a social led by Mrs. C. L. Edmunds, at her home, 51-H, Saturday.

Sgt. C. O. Farris and Mr. C. A. Poole have been named as co-chairmen of a committee to build a Baptistry in the new Benning Park Baptist church.

Friends of Mr. and Mrs. V. L. Bassett will regret to learn that they have recently left the community to live in Mobile, Ala., where Mr. Bassett will be engaged in work at the shipyard there.

Mr. V. L. Bassett is succeeded by Mrs. Walter Powell, 90C, as Training Union Director of the local Baptist church.

The Dorcas Class of the Baptist Sunday school will meet Thursday at 8:00 o'clock with Mrs. J. J. Villademoros, No. 2 Clifton Ave.

It will be of interest to the people of the community to learn that Mrs. Alice Cotton, librarian, is leaving. The many friends that Mrs. Cotton has made here will miss her, and regret to see her leave.

Anyone having library books out is asked to return them as early as possible.

Many of the local Baptist are planning to attend the Associational one-day conference, which is being held at Beallwood Baptist church, Friday, February 5. Mrs. L. D. Troutman, 13 Roper, Young Peoples Leader of the Association, will lead the Young People's conference at 7:30 p. m.

**PARTIES**

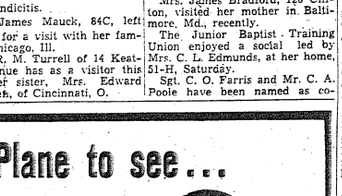
The local Methodist church is observing Fun Night Friday night, Feb. 12, at 8 o'clock. The church family and friends will gather in the auditorium for an evening of fun and laughter. There will be games and entertainment for aduls and children, the children using another room for their fun.

Everyone is welcome. This will be a good chance to get acquainted with the people near you.

The regular game party will be given this week, Saturday night at 8:30 o'clock, in the auditorium. The recreation committee announces that a large door prize is awaiting a lucky person. Come and enjoy a few hours of entertainment.

The book review given last week by Rabbi Waller was very interesting. The continuous rain kept many people away, but the


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## Camera Club To Hear Ace Photographer

**Pvt. Dial of 161st Signal Photo Unit Was Portrait Expert**

Pvt. Carl Dial, noted Hollywood and New York photographer, now with the 161st Signal Photo company at Fort Benning, will deliver a special lecture and chalk talk on "Portraiture That Counts." He will speak before amateur and professional camera men of the Camera class at the USO Club, 100 Ninth street, Thursday, Feb. 4, at 8:30 p. m. in Club Room No. 3.

Pvt. Dial for years has had the task of glamorizing the glamour girls of the movies as portrait expert for Paramount, United Artists, and R. K. O. studios. He found that bringing out the charms of the stars in "still" pictures required different methods than those used for motion picture work.

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For his lectures here, Dial will employ a handful of inexpensive materials, a finished print, and what he guarantees to be a veritable beautiful model.

All soldiers and civilians interested in photography are cordially invited to attend this program.

## Post-

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than his wife. The same problem will hold true for the wife who works at Fort Benning and whose husband works in Columbus.

The Junior Chamber of Commerce was first to pass a resolution urging that the city remain on Eastern wartime to cooperate with Fort Benning.

The Columbus Ledger and Station WRBL have both expressed the hope that the city keep its present time.

**MERCHANTS STAND-PATTERS**

The Columbus Merchants association unanimously adopted a resolution Tuesday morning asking that the time remain the same for the city as for the post, but on Tuesday noon by a narrow vote the Kiwanis club approved putting the city on Central Wartime.

Meanwhile, Columbus civic clubs had their first chance this week to voice their disapproval of any change in the city's clocks. By noon Wednesday the Business and Professional Women's Club, the Pilots, and the Lions Club had expressed themselves as willing to maintain the status quo, which means, according to the veteran colored preacher, "the Latin words for the' mess we's in.' Other clubs were expected to follow suit.

"Confusion worse confounded" was the general concensus of persons on the post after thinking about their problems of living under two time systems.

The problem dropped into existence last Thursday when the state legislature with little warning placed the whole of Georgia in the Central time zone. The Columbus city commission on special call from Mayor W. A. Bridges met Thursday and after considering the special problem facing the city with the vast personnel of Fort Benning in its midst, voted, upon the motion of Commissioner Jesse Binns, to postpone action until Feb. 9.

## Benning-

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has played comic leads in many Shubert shows.

The rest of the cast consists of the Three Reddingtons, a comedy acrobatic trampoline act; Loy and Martha Read, song sisters, and 16 Gae Foster chorus girls.

large number who attended was held spellbound as the adventures of Bernadette were related from The Song of Bernadette. After the review a social hour was enjoyed and refreshments were served by the hostesses of the Mothers' club, Mrs. John Ross, Mrs. Ellen Boyle, Mrs. Marwede, Mrs. Arnold and Mrs. Alcorn, and the members of the recreation committee, Mrs. Lester Hays, Mrs. Lamar Ashe and Mrs. L. D. Troutman.

Little Howard Ralls celebrated his birthday last Friday with a birthday party given by his mother. The members of Howard's class in Nursery school and his teacher, Mrs. Minnie Trapp, enjoyed games and fun which was followed by ice cream and birthday cake. The table was attractively decorated in pink and green, with the same colored decoration on the cake.

**NEW-COMERS**

The following are welcomed to the village:

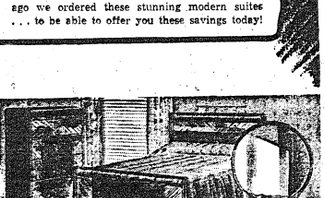
St. Sgt. and Mrs. Bernard Bennett, 6; St. Sgt. and Mrs. Bernard Brockman, 58 B; St. Sgt. and Mrs. Ordis F. Hemphill, 31 B; St. Sgt. and Mrs. Fred J. Cooper, 108 B; St. Sgt. and Mrs. Thomas T. Gaymore, 87 H; Lt. and Mrs. John Gold, 7 Fox; St. Sgt. and Ralph F. Curtis, 94 S.


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# Army Wife Shops in Columbus

## By EVE

*From now on for the next few months newcomers will find out why they sing songs about "Dixie." Daffodils, flowering shrubs and the exotic tulip tree are blooming in profusion. It's been a moot question in my mind whether it's the southerners great love for flowers or the luxurious profusion in which they bloom that makes spring here something rather wonderful. Whatever it is, there's no greater tonic to make ourselves and our households just as gay as the outdoors. Shopping becomes the order of the day.*

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There are going to be a lot of gals in the Officer's Club on February 8, 9, 10, 11 and 12 to see the selection of fine clothing **SAKS FIFTH AVENUE STORE** will have on display. We've long envied the displays military tailors have had in the club for our menfolks. Now it's our turn. Their New York staff will be on hand to assist you and attend to needed alterations. Your order will be filled promptly and mailed to your Fort Benning or Columbus address. They're going to have a selection for debutantes. There will be sports and casual wear as well as glamorous evening and dinner dresses. They're going to have shoes too. If you don't know about Sak's Fifth Avenue shoes you've a shopping treat in store for you. They specialize in unusual and clever designs, the sort folks say, "Oh, what beautiful shoes you have on. Where did you get them?" Toddlers can be outfitted too from a fine stock of spring children's wear. You've wanted things with the Sak's label. Here's your chance. There'll be a showing in the Ralston hotel on February 13.

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Valentine's Day is not much more than a week off, and if you haven't done something about a gift for your heart interest, you'd best get busy. **KIRVEN'S** have an attractive choice for this kind of gift. You'll find something handsome if you're looking for jewelry. They have some bracelets, heavy and oriental looking studded with coral, turquoise and carnelian in filagree gold. Gorgeous these would be for party wear, be it day time or evening. Then there's some slim gold compacts with restrained etched design at the same counter. If your lady likes "nice" things you'd endear yourself to her by buying one of those Koret bags in smooth calf. They're extra special you know. Maybe she isn't the kind that worries about the unmentionable social difficulty brought on by not buying a certain brand of soap. In that case she'd like a box of wonderfully perfumed and sumptuous Wrisley soap. The fat, satiny bars are festive looking and desirable as a gift.

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**MILLER - TAYLOR - SHOE STORE** continues to receive smart new spring footwear in choices to tempt every taste and whim. If you're wearing navy blue this year, they have some lovely navy gabardines, both in walking and dress models. A smooth calf skin in navy with a walking heel and smart vamp tongue is designed for tailored clothes. The Trampalong patched genuine alligator has proven a popular number. It comes in red, toast, green, blue and brown. The patches of leather are joined in squares and stitched with a broad outline trim. They come in open back, walking heel and oxford tie. The new Penaljo spectator pump with a wedge heel and punched toe in tan calf is a trim and wearable model for casual and sportswear. Smart enough for print dresses too.

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If you've been looking for wool hose, you'll be happy to know that **CHANCELLOR'S** have received a wonderful assortment of imported and domestic hose for men. There's the popular Interwoven line that has won approval from many men for the long months of service they give. The Haer Hose for men are imported from Scotland and are made of 100% fine alpaca wool. The McClure hose are also imported from Scotland, and made of Australian and camels hair. These all come in regulation colors to be worn with uniforms. They also have a new shipment of the English Argyle handblocked and handmade hose in an assortment of beautiful colors. Elegant bits of haberdashery and a wonderful gift idea they are for him for Valentine's Day. Another new arrival is the Zelan weatherproof jacket. It was designed and perfected by Admiral Byrd for use on his junkets to the North and South Pole. They come in light colors for the golf course or regulation O. D. for service wear. Nice things to have these raw, rainy days. Chancellor's is one of the few stores in town that still have electric clocks. If you need one, don't delay your shopping trip for this item.

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If you are one of the numerous women who have been looking for those hard to find suits of fine woolens you'll be glad to know I found a wonderful selection at **KAYSER-LILIENTHAL, INC.** Mr. Lilienthal has just returned from New York and I have a suspicion he bribed, begged and borrowed to have a stock like this for us to choose from. There's a wonderful assortment of the superb Mangone suit in cool greys, smart blacks and a dressy black silk faille. Then there are the popular Glenn plaids in spring tones, soft spring colors in pastel plaids. There's a blue suit in every shade from the palest hue, aqua, dusty blue to navy. There is in fact much navy blue in gabardine and black in that material too, for the trim tailleur we adore wearing with frothy lingerie blouses. There are some that have box coats in materials matching the suits to make a stunning and wearable three piece outfit. If I estimate the demand and popularity of the suit season, even this wide choice won't be available long. Best do your shopping while the choice is generous.

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Did you buy some of those rosebushes **J. J. NEWBERRY CO.** have been practically giving away? If you haven't you'd best take advantage of this bargain. While you're in the store you'll see the wonderful line of Valentines they have. You'll also be impressed with the attractive trinkets you can find to put beside the breafast plate on Valentine's morning. I wish someone would give me that compact set of Cutex polish and remover set. Wouldn't mind a gay corsage of bright cherries. They always zip up an outfit. There are white and purple violets too as well as other bright lapel or hair corsages. A wealth of decorative ideas came to my mind when I discovered the attractive Trimz, which comes in a roll of beautifully decorated panelling to put on walls, furniture and any number of dull spots in the house. The designs and colors are beautifully done in soft crayon-like colors. These are truly decorator's items and possibilities limited only by one's imagination. One merely dips the panelling in water and sticks them where they are wanted.

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The amount of sweaters one can use is unlimited in these days of suits. For that reason a shipment of all wool sweaters in the newest spring shades is news. **THE PARTICIA GOWN SHOP** on the third floor of the Ralston Hotel has a color to match any and all suits. They're wonderfully soft and luxurious. Patricia also has some of those smart berets featured in Vogue in pastel colors, white and black. They have pins with padded triangles of felt to hold the beret securely on the head. The sophisticated touch of these hats make them wearable for both dressy occasions and sport wear. The addition of a veil glamorizes them no end. There's a wonderful selection of toppers for spring. They come in the popular camel's hair color and pastel shades. They're all wool too and look equally well matched with your spring suit or worn as a contrast.

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Family group pictures used to be album mirth provokers. The pictures were never very good for the photographer knew few tricks those days of relaxing their posers. A photographer with these abilities aren't found on every bush today either. **AIME DUPONT PHOTOGRAPHERS** on Broadway can give you something very fine in this kind of work. Maybe we're sentimental these days, and if we are, the reason is plain. The quiet, heretofore taken for granted things are threatened. A portrait of a family together during the war months is a visible joy to all who see it. More than that, it's precious to the relatives who haven't seen them for many months. For oneself, it will always be a treasured possession. You'll look at it years hence and say, "Sally and Jimmy, this is the way we looked during the last war. Do you remember Fort Benning?" Mother's Day is a while off yet, but this idea of a family photograph is something to think of for that special day.

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Those women who can summon the greatest capabilities will be the fortunate ones in the months to come. Ready made clothes become increasingly hard to find. It is not impossible that the choice will be so limited due to war conversion of factories that the woman who makes her own clothes will be looked upon as a fortunate and clever person. The **SINGER SEWING MACHINE COMPANY** has long been known for their services in sewing aids and instruction. We have all seen the ads in national magazines, and are familiar with the Singer Form that has revolutionized dressmaking. The Columbus Singer Sewing Machine Company are having preseason special offer on these forms which will be available until February 13. They are made of thermoplastic and are molded to the body over a garment in 30 minutes. The completed form is available in a week. The special offer includes three lessons in the use of the form and a special rate on the regular Singer Sewing lessons. As an investment this offer has an appeal for the amateur as well as the more experienced seamstress.

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The **KIDDIE SHOPPE** at 1144 Broadway is a fascinating store. Whether one has a tiny tot or not, the temptation will be great to purchase one of the infinitesimal garments for some small relative or neighbor. The atmosphere of an attractively decorated nursery or pre-school is reflected in the cool order and soft colored decorations of the store. The new spring merchandise indicates we'll be seeing some adorable children the next few months. The tiny chintz pinafores are party-like in their bright designs and glistening sheen. Tiny suits for girls in flannel and in gabardine are miniature replicas of grown up fashion trends. Light weight spring coats for girls come in a choice of such luscious ice cream colors one will have a difficult time choosing the shade they like the best. The Kiddie Shoppe hasn't overlooked the Junior Miss either. One look at the new spring things for a preby miss and Daddy will find it hard to refuse her cajolery.

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The word Eisenburg is highly respected in fashion circles. The skillful designs and careful workmanship are from the hands of master craftsmen. **SEALEY'S** on Broadway has just received another supply of Eisenburg ice cosatrive ideas came to my mind tume jewelry. They're set in sterling silver and deserve consideration as permanent collections in your jewel case. The simplest dress or suit becomes a distinguished garment when it is high lighted with one of these handsome clips or pins. Sealys also have some dark sheers by Eisenburg frosted with exquisite lingerie touches. The elegance of these dresses make them one's favorite for first choice wear season after season. This shop has also received a supply of the Eisenburg perfume that's become a favorite with women these past years. Haunting fragrance of a fine perfume is a bewitching method of achieving femininity. You can get lip sticks too with this famous label.

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If Valentines bring you memories of paper lace, ribbon, violets and sweet sentiment you'll find a choice of it this kind as well as the more modern and sophisticated type at **WHITE'S BOOK STORE.** If you're looking for a valentine gift, what better choice for man, woman or child than a book. White's Book Store has an outstanding stock of the latest popular fiction, as well as important reference books and old favorites. An outstanding assortment of reference books have been put on the market this year and should find a popular appeal for a permanent place in any library. Another gift suggestion found in this store is the very fine social stationery they carry. I can't think of anything nicer than a box of writing paper of the rich and impeccably correct type. But then, you'll find a wealth of gift ideas in this attractive stationery store and enjoy your shopping moments in the bargain.

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I delight in telling you of a firm that specializes in services. One of the chief difficulties of a change of station has always been wondering where one might find the shops equipped to take care of our needs. When the service is a vital one such as repairing toasters, waffle irons, percolators and varied electric equipment, I feel I have given you a real shopping tip. The **LEVY-MORTON ELECTRIC CONTRACTORS,** located at 1028 13th Street, are equipped through their established business integrity of serving Columbus for thirty years, to put your precious electric equipment in first class working order. This is no small item this day and age. They also have material to convert a favorite vase or bottle into a stunning lamp. This type of personalized decoration for the home has been a beloved idea of decorators and women with clever schemes for the unusual touch in their home. Hunt up that piece you've been saving for lamp conversion and enjoy it now during these days of shortages of household decorations.

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The **CLASSY CLOTHES SHOP** on Broadway takes pride in their new stock of cravanette trench coats. They come lined and unlined and are a favorite garment with our men folks as you well know. They also carry the famous Fownes glove. This firm boasts a continuous manufacture of fine gloves since 1776. If proof were needed of the integrity of their gloves the date alone is impressive. The Classy Clothes Shop carries only men's gloves with this label. They also have a complete line of Val-a-pak luggage familiar to all of us for the amount of things that can be packed in this flexible and handy type of luggage. You'll find the Roblee military shoes in fine calfskin that polishes to mirror like gleam as well as jodhpurs that are so often used for dress wear. Green and pink dress shirts by Esquire in 100 per cent wool is another item of military interest.

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**LANE'S DRUG STORE** is well stocked with a supply of fine candy for Valentine's Day. Their generous assortment includes Whitman's, Nunnally's and Norris Candies. As a special service Lane Drug Store is equipped to pack and mail the candy for you. Candy is the gift of gifts that never fails to be appreciated. When you can get it off in the mail in this simple manner it's an attractive gift suggestion. Never before have we needed perfect health and reserve vitality as we do today. The pressing demands of war time living are a strain on men and women alike. The proved efficiency of vitamin tablets in helping us attain maximum health makes the new supply of vitamin tablets received in this drug store of interest. The clerks at the drug counter are fully informed on the various types and will be found to be extremely helpful. When the shopping day worries you a bit, you might stop in Lane's for a pick-up snack. Meet your friends there for lunch. It's centrally located and mighty handy.

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**H. ROTHSCHILD, INC.** at 1229-31 Broadway have just received a shipment of baby beds. With the present day trend of blessed events baby's needs are sometimes difficult to secure. They are the panel type with drop side and come in ivory and maple with fetching nursery pictures in gal colors. They have mattresses too to fit the beds. Young mothers will feel a patriotic emotion in purchasing them for they're called "Victory Beds" and conform to war time regulations. They're so new and in keeping with the times even those who are not contemplating an immediate need for a baby bed will be interested in seeing them. Mr. Rothschild invites you to look at them. While you are in the store look at the fine furniture and furnishings they have. It's always fun looking at furniture, don't you think?

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Fort Benning has long depended upon **MITCHELL'S** of 1204 Broadway for fine out-of-season fruits and unusual confectionary treats. Their baskets and trays of luscious fruits wrapped in glittering cellophane and tied with satin ribbons are handsome gifts for friends on Valentines Day. In fact, I'd call it a downright exciting gift it's so sumptuous and important looking. Mitchells have a fine assortment of Valentines too, as well as those old fashioned candy hearts we used to trade back and forth the table with our best beau. Mitchell's has a charm for the business is really plural in the sense that the entire family contributes their talent and nimble fingers in creating fascinating novelties for the store. Mrs. Mitchell and her daughter create those unusual dolls army women collect in their travels. There's the Anna Kate Mammy dolls, Red Cross nurses and dolls fashioned with pecan heads. If you know a doll collector you'll make her happy with a gift like this for her collection. They have pecans in bags ready for mailing, an appreciated gift for friends in states where pecans are a rare treat.

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Mr. Herman Abdala of the **TINY TOT SHOP** wants his customers to know he hasn't any safety pins for sale. He has, however, a supply of these rare items of security as a gift for the purchasers of layettes in his shop. The irony is that he has layettes for sale is a news item and when it's coupled with a gift of a card of safety pins, it's well nigh sensational. He's also put his Sally and Jimmy, girls' and boys' wool legging suits on sale to make room for the spring merchandise that is arriving daily. Estimate the size your youngster will be next year and take advantage of the sale. Wool garments will probably be as scarce as safety pins are now. The telephone number of this shop is 2-2492 and located at 1217 Broadway.

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**BENTLEY'S SPORT SHOP** at 1305 Broadway call their merchandise "morale equipment." That's a descriptive phrase and an important one in spite of the fact that our newspapers no longer find the word morale an important subject. The relaxation and physical well-being derived from sports and hobbies are more important to the individual army family than ever before. Bentley's Sport Shop is the largest athletic store in the south and has supplied Fort Benning with sporting needs for thirteen years. They have every manner of sporting equipment whether it's shoes for the game or hunting and fishing equipment. Their stock of wheel goods is impressive for these days. They also have bicycle parts if your faithful wartime transportation needs replacement. Archery sets have been changed give them flexibility as to use. Arrows are plastic tipped for safety. They have profed so safe one could even shoot an arrow in the air" in one's own home and most certainly engage in a spirited match in one's yard.